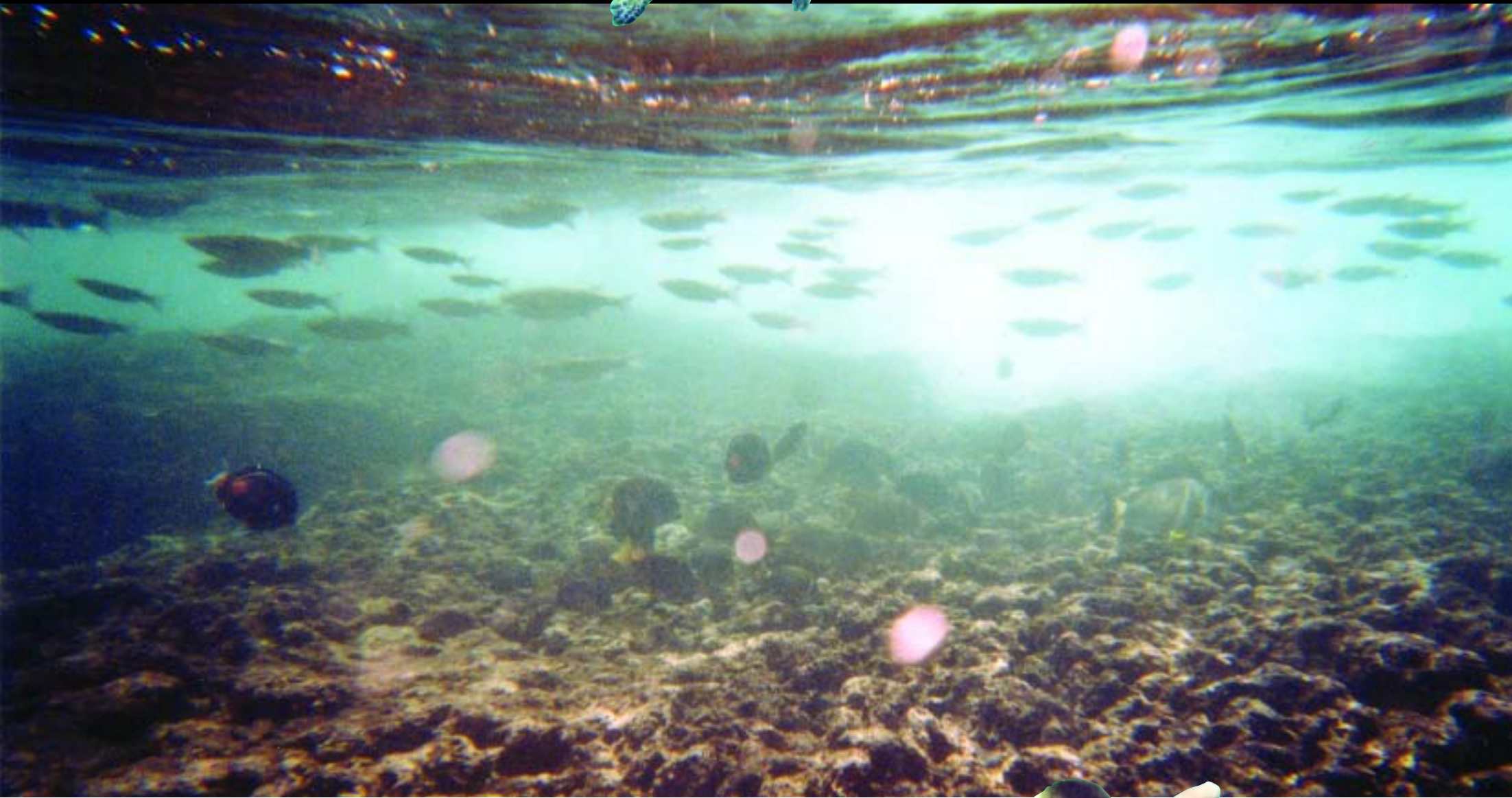


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Snorkeling in the serene blue waters of the North Shore and mingling with the schools of colorful fish, sea turtles, and other underwater denizens can be an ideal way to escape the hustle and bustle of city life.

EXPLORING THE OCEAN BLUE



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When thinking of a snorkeling getaway on the island of Oahu, many visitors automatically pick popular sites such as Hanauma Bay and Shark's Cove. What they may not know is that there are many other places available — places where they can see a wide variety of sea animals — without bumping into another person with every kick of their legs.

One such place that offers this opportunity is North Shore Catamaran, nestled in the historic town of Haleiwa.

On this scenic trip, which is available year-round, guests are welcome aboard the Hoo Nanea, which is Hawaiian for “to pass the time in peace and comfort.” This 40-foot-long catamaran can hold up to a total of 25 people. The “cat” takes off from the coast of Haleiwa Harbor and Waimea Bay to a secluded area where the people are highly outnumbered by the wildlife that will be swimming around them once they don their gear and slide into the water.

Once the catamaran is anchored, guests prepare to enter the water where they will be guided to different areas where they will see a huge variety of tropical fish that include eels, sea turtles, spinner dolphins, and occasionally whales — provided it's the right time of year for whale sightings.

“I have been doing this for twenty-one years now,” said Ray Beatty, captain and owner of North Shore Catamaran. “I had been sailing most of my life and needed something to do,

so that's when this all started,” the retired Honolulu Fire Department firefighter explained.

Along with the morning snorkeling trips, Beatty offers sunset sails every evening, along with whale-watching trips during the winter season.

“We are usually busy during the whale-watching season,” said the Los Angeles, Calif.

native. “During that season, we have about eight hundred whale sightings. A lot of the time the whales are curious and come right up to the boat — even bumping it. They are pretty impressive animals.”

After having their fill of snorkeling, guests are welcomed back aboard the catamaran where they enjoy a refreshing lunch and beverages.

“Snorkeling is actually a lot more work than I thought it would be,” admitted Tina Nahm, a visitor to the island. “I had never done it before, and I wanted to try something new. My friend found this place on the Internet, and the first thing we liked about it was how small and personal it seemed.”

The Las Vegas, Nev. native said she also enjoyed the fact that along with the snorkeling experience, the entire time, they were enlightened about the Hawaiian culture and were given other bits of trivia about their surroundings.

“It was more than just snorkeling because, Ray was very friendly and talked with us a lot about the culture and the area,” said the 27-year-old. “I would definitely tell anyone who is coming to this island to go with the noncommercial places. I think I'm going to have to bring my daughter back with me during whale season, just to experience that. I think, here, you can really see the spirit of aloha.”

The morning snorkeling trip costs \$74 and lasts approximately four hours. The evening sails cost \$40, and the whale-watching season tours cost \$58. Whale-watching season starts in mid-December and continues through April.

For more information regarding North Shore Catamaran, or to make a reservation, call 638-8279.

“It's a really unique experience, and I think that everyone who visits Hawaii needs to get out of Honolulu for awhile,” said Beatty. “There is so much more to the island than just the city, and I really hope that people take that opportunity while they are here.



Lisa Donabedian (left) and Tina Nahm, both visitors to Oahu, prepare for a snorkeling adventure by putting on their goggles and snorkel gear while Captain Ray Beatty, owner of North Shore Catamaran, explains how.



Forum to showcase base, MCCS resources

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There is nothing worse than being a new-comer and not knowing where to go, who to turn to, and what to do in an unfamiliar place. To alleviate this uncertainty, all base residents, whether they are new arrivals or have already settled in, are invited to attend the Commander's Community Aloha Fair and Information Forum being held Sept. 13 from 5 to 7 p.m. in Kahuna's Community Ballroom. The event is open to all hands and family members.

According to Marine Corps Community Services Assistant Chief of Staff, William B. Lindsay, the intent of this forum is twofold.

"The forum will provide information for new arrivals about the important programs and services available for our community, and to have the Commander and his staff present to answer individual concerns or listen to recommendations about improving installation programs and services," Lindsay explained.

MCCS has the lead in setting up the event, whereas Marine Corps Base Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, will have subject-matter experts on hand to answer any and all questions that attendees looking for base-specific information may have.

This particular occurrence is a hybrid of two past events. One of the events is a long-standing MCCS tradition, and the other a relatively new fair. Originally known as the Aloha Fair, MCCS has hosted this event during the past five years to showcase the MCCS facilities and services that are available to family members aboard MCB Hawaii. The Aloha Fair was a semi-annual event held in March and September.

In January of 2005, the Commanding



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Tami Simerlink, station coordinator, Hickam/Pearl Harbor Service Center, explains what's available to Petty Officer 1st Class Joe Fulco, cryptologic technician, Commander, Patrol Reconnaissance Wing 2, at the Commanding General's Community Information Forum earlier this year.

General's Community Information Forum made its debut. This event focused on providing information family members as well as the Marines and Sailors. Now being included are K-Bay tenants and departments that had not been involved with this sort of affair in the past.

Established by Brig. Gen. George J. Trautman III, former commanding general MCB Hawaii, the event saw significant statistical differences

as compared to the Aloha Fair. According to a survey of the event, conducted by MCCS Consumer Affairs, more than 87 percent of participants found the information they were looking for at the CG event as compared to 72 percent of attendees at the last Aloha Fair held in March. This was a good indicator that the CG's format met more of the needs of its participants than prior events.

Perhaps a greater indicator of its success was

its attendance level as compared to the Aloha Fair. The CG's event attracted 33 percent more attendees than the latter event, the majority of which were active duty Marines and Sailors. It was evident that with the expanded base contingent, the CG's Information Forum seemed to be an effective information tool. However, in an effort to include the usual Aloha Fair crowds, composed of mostly family members, the decision was made to combine both events into one that would be of benefit to everyone — active duty Marines and Sailors, family members, and any other base personnel looking for MCCS and base information in one location. Thus, the Commanding General's Community Aloha Fair and Information Forum will now take the role that the two events once played.

Among the exhibitors that will be present at the upcoming event are a wide range of participants from MCCS and MCB Hawaii to off-base nonprofit agencies and businesses. MCCS representatives include the Base Library, the base clubs, K-Bay Lanes, Marine and Family Services and Semper Fit Center. MCB Hawaii exhibitors will include Base Housing, the Commissary, and the Provost Marshal's Office/Military Police. The nonprofit agencies will include: the American Red Cross, TRICARE and All Enlisted Spouse Club, and others. More than 25 businesses and sponsors will also be on site to provide information.

Be sure to drop by and sign in for your opportunity to win MCCS door prizes, meet the friendly personnel assigned to many of the organizations on base, and pick up materials that will provide you with all the tools you need to make your base more than just your duty station — it can be your cozy island retreat. For more information, call 254-7679.

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Possibilities in Paradise

Kahuna's Bar & Grill

254-7660/7661

Live Entertainment — Get in a weekend frame of mind by heading to Kahuna's this evening to enjoy live music featuring Slug and their repertoire that ranges from Led Zeppelin, Black Sabbath, Jimi Hendrix, Deep Purple and Aerosmith to today's gut-wrenching songs by Tool, Godsmack, Rage Against the Machine, White Zombie, and more.

The fun all starts at 10 p.m.

Football at Kahuna's — Watch the first Sunday game of the season on the club's huge plasma TV screen and enjoy DirecTV NFL Sunday Ticket.

Kahuna's is now open on Sundays from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Enjoy breakfast, pupus or entrée selections. Play NTN QB1, and try to guess the next play. Bring your friends and foes for a day of gracious rivalry.

Monday Night Football — Get ready to cheer on your favorite team at Kahuna's Monday Night Football.

Starting at 6 p.m., enjoy a special menu. National Trivia Network's QB1 will also be available for those of you who are psychic enough to call the next play.

Latin Night — "Ven a bailar a Kahuna's." Come to dance at Kahuna's, that is. Yes, you'll really get infused with the Latin groove, thanks to the rhythmic renditions of El Conjunto Tropical, Friday. This band plays merengue, salsa, bachata, cumbia, and other tropical tunes sure to make your hips start shaking no matter how hard you try to resist.

The music, dancing and fun begins at 10 p.m.

Staff NCO Club

254-5481

Football at the Staff NCO Club's Rocker Room — If you are craving a little football action on a screen larger than the one you have at home, come out to the Rocker Room to watch the Indianapolis Colts take on the Baltimore Ravens this Sunday.

While the club will not be open for business, food from the Fairways Sports Grill can be brought over to the Rocker Room.

Monday Night Football at the Rocker Room — This is the place to be to get into the football state of mind. Bring your fellow Staff NCOs to watch the Philadelphia Eagles play against the Atlanta Falcons.

Special menus will be available at the Rocker Room with half-price specials for members from 6 to 8:30 p.m. or the end of the halftime.

Sticky man races will also be held, and you can try to become the King and Queen of the Quarter for the opportunity to sit in the best seat of

the house for a whole quarter — a plush recliner. Ask the staff for details. Sorry, a remote does not come with the recliner.

NCO Appreciation Night at the Staff NCO Club — Although it may sometimes seem like you can't work with them, let them know this Wednesday that you sure wouldn't want to be without them.

NCO Appreciation Night is the ideal opportunity to bring out those special co-workers to the Staff NCO Club from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. for some great chow and refreshments. Uniform of the day is required.

Call the club at 254-5481 for more information.

Officers' Club

254-7650/7649

Grandparents' Day Brunch — Show Grandpa, Grandma, Poppa or Nana how much they mean to you by treating them with a special Sunday brunch in their honor at the O' Club.

This flavorful event will take place from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. For the most comfortable seating arrangements, reservations are required. The cost of the brunch is \$17.50 plus \$3 for champagne for members and \$19.95 plus \$3 for champagne for nonmembers. The charge for children is: \$6.95 for those 8 to 12, \$3.95 for ages 5 to 7, and brunch is free for children 4 and younger.

All Hands

Military Academic Skills Program — MASP is a Joint Education Center program that offers a course of study that can help improve Armed Forces Classification Test — AFCT/ASVAB — scores.

This program is offered to all military service members and civilians on a space-available basis, Monday.

Through successful program completion and testing, Marines and Sailors may qualify for specialized schools and Military Occupational Specialties. Two pretests are required.

For more information, call 257-2158.

Résumé Workshop — If looking for a job in your future, be sure to attend this hands-on workshop,

Tuesday, that is intended to help develop or update your résumé.

Learn how to prepare a résumé that will make a positive impression on prospective employers. Topics include how to put your education, experience and background together.

For more information or to sign up, call 257-7786.

Parenting Proudly — Become a professional at being a parent — the most important job in your life. Sign up for this six-week class for parents of children 2 to 12.

This parenting class focuses on discipline, child development, and other parenting issues. The class will meet Tuesday from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. in the Marine & Family Services Conference Room. Child care is reimbursable upon request.

To register, call 257-8803.

Federal Application Workshop — Learn how the federal selection and hiring process works Wednesday, from 9 to 11 a.m., at Building 267, Classroom 2.

Information to be presented will include veteran's and military spouse preferences. Also, the SF-171 will be provided. If you are considering federal employment, this workshop is a must.

For details, call 257-7790.

PCS Move Workshop — This program is designed to give a single or married service member and family the information, resources and tools needed to plan their permanent change of station move.

Representatives will give presentations, Wednesday, from Transportation Movement Office, Housing, Temporary Lodging, Tricare and the Finance Office. Also available will be a Personal Financial Counselor and an Exceptional Family Member Program Coordinator. Briefs will also be given on relocation and Anti-Terrorism Level 1.

Service members are not required to have orders to attend, but registration is necessary due to limited seating. Attendance is mandatory for active duty service members.

To sign up or for more information, call 257-7790.

Interviewing Workshop — Provides a general overview of the interviewing process. This Thursday workshop will include: tips on researching prospective employers,

types of interviews, and typical questions to expect.

For more information and to sign up, call 257-7790.

Storytime — Bring your little ones to the Base Library, Thursday from 10 to 11 a.m., to take part in the weekly reading of books for children of all ages.

This is a great opportunity for home-schooled children, those who are not in school yet or for parents who just want to get the children, and themselves, out of the house to have a regular event to attend in which everyone can be educated and entertained.

Parents must accompany children during the session.

For more information, call 254-7624.

L.I.N.K.S. Class at Camp Smith — Lifestyle Insights, Networking, Knowledge and Skills, or L.I.N.K.S., is the perfect class for spouses new to the island or the military lifestyle.

L.I.N.K.S. provides basic information necessary to acquaint them with the unique aspects of the Marine Corps and Navy life.

This one-day session on Friday will be the only one offered this month and will take place from 8:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Sunset Lanai.

For more details, call 257-2368.

Dog wash — Your dog will actually love you for it — after it's over. Come to Fort Shafter, Saturday, where the veterinary technicians of the MCB Hawaii Veterinary Treatment Facility in conjunction with the Fort Shafter clinic staff will soap your best friend, large or small, and make him or her really feel the meaning of clean.

The event will take place at Building 435 on Pierce Road, past the PX, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thanks to the staff's professional pet knowledge, you can be assured your pet will be a pampered pooch and may even ask you for a repeat bath.

For more information, call 257-3643.

Ongoing

Tour of the Island — For those new to Hawaii and Oahu, this is your perfect opportunity to leave the driving to someone else and be a sight-seer once again. Take a narrated tour

of Oahu, Friday, and see the most popular points of interest.

This free, daylong tour will take you around the island, beginning and ending at Personal Services, Building 216.

Remember to bring lunch and sun protection. Space is limited and reservations are required.

For reservations, call 257-7790.

Guitar and Ukulele Lessons

— If these string instruments have always fascinated you or your children, your chance to learn has finally arrived at Youth Activities.

For just \$98 per month, a student will receive two private lessons and two group workshops. Days, times and minimum age requirements vary depending on the instrument of interest. Classes will be ongoing starting in September.

This is the perfect opportunity for your child to develop their love of music. Please note that each student must provide his or her own instrument.

For more details, call 254-7610.

College Course Registration Period — Come to the Joint Education Center to register for the 10-week, on-base college course that will run from Oct. 3 through Dec. 16.

Tuition assistance is available for all programs including the new Coastline Community College Distance Learning Program, which supplies a PDA upon completion of two of its courses.

For more information, call 257-2158.

New Veterinary Hours — Starting this Saturday and the first Saturday of each month thereafter, the Veterinary Treatment Facility appointments will run from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Appointments must be scheduled at least two weeks in advance for the Saturday schedule.

No sick call services will be available.

For more details, call 257-3643.

Camp H.M. Smith Library Relocation — If you are looking for your favorite reads at Camp Smith, be sure to find the elevators or stairways first. The Camp Smith Library is relocating to the second deck of the Marine Forces Pacific building.

The move is expected to be complete by Sept. 15.

For more info, call 254-7624.

MOVIE TIME

Prices: Adults, 12 and older, \$3; children 6 to 11, \$1.50 and children 5 and younger, free. Matinee prices are \$2 for adults, \$1 for children. Parents must purchase tickets for R-rated movies in person at the box office for children 16-years-old and younger. Sunday evenings, the price is \$1 for all patrons. Show your ID card at the box office. Call 254-7642 for recorded information.

Sneak Preview Policy: One hour and 45 minutes prior to the movie, tickets will be issued to first priority patrons waiting in line, then second and third priority patrons.

In an effort to prevent piracy, the following security measures will be enforced on base for sneak preview screenings: bag checks, confiscation of cameras or cell phones with video or picture taking capability (items will be returned after screening), magnetometer wand, audience scanning with night vision goggles during screening.

The Base Theater and film companies thank you in advance for your cooperation and hope you will enjoy the show. For more information, contact the Base Theater at 254-7641.

The Bad News Bears (PG-13)	Today at 7:15 p.m.
The Island (PG-13)	Today at 9:45 p.m.
Fantastic Four (PG-13)	Saturday at 7:15 p.m.
Wedding Crashers (R)	Saturday at 9:45 p.m.
The Bad News Bears (PG-13)	Sunday at 2 p.m.
The Island (PG-13)	Sunday at 6:30 p.m.
Dark Water (PG-13)	Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.
Stealth (PG-13)	Friday at 7:15 p.m.
Wedding Crashers (R)	Friday at 9:45 p.m.

Personality Features

Marine speaks of deployment

Lance Cpl. Roger L. Nelson
Combat Correspondent

From working in the retail industry to joining the military, Lance Cpl. Corrine R. Youngbar, food service specialist, Headquarters Battalion, Marine Corps Base Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, said she has experienced more than most Marines will even imagine.

“I originally worked in retail and was a sales associate at a local store,” said Youngbar. “I wanted to do something with my life, and I needed a college education. The Marine Corps seemed like the way to go for me, so I joined but didn’t know what job I wanted, so I went in on open contract and was given the job of food specialist.”

Youngbar received orders to Kaneohe Bay. Although not expecting to be deployed, she received word of an upcoming deployment and that she would be leaving within the next month.

“I never really thought about deployment until it happened,” said Youngbar, who was, admittedly taken aback by the short notice to deploy.

She was a food service specialist, though, and it was explained to her that she was needed for a mission, so there was no choice for Youngbar — other than to go.

“I left Hawaii August 22, 2004, and went straight to Camp Pendleton, California,” said Youngbar, a Gaithersburg, Md. native. “While I was in California, I did field mess training.”

After a month at Camp Pendleton, Youngbar was deployed to Iraq with I Marine Expeditionary Force.

“I arrived in Iraq on October 4 and was stationed at Camp Fallujah, Iraq,” said the Maryland native. “I didn’t move around at all, and for the whole time I was deployed, I stayed at Camp Fallujah.”

According to Youngbar, her duties while at the camp consisted of manning security checkpoints and doing head counts for Marines she met while in Iraq.

“I met a lot of interesting people while deployed,” said the 26-year-old. “Deployment wasn’t that bad. I became close with a lot of people and came home with a lot of new friends. I was afraid I was going get treated differently while deployed, but I was treated with a lot of respect.”

Youngbar said that the most memorable moment while in Iraq happened during the



Photo Courtesy of Lance Cpl. Corrine R. Youngbar

Lance Cpl. Corrine R. Youngbar, food service specialist, Headquarters Battalion, Marine Corps Base Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, takes time to pose for a memento of her deployment to Iraq. Youngbar describes the experience as a good one that gave her lots of memories.

Marine Corps birthday.

“The birthday was amazing. Everyone was there,” said the food specialist. “The meal was incredible. We had steak, lobster and prime rib — which surprised me for being deployed in combat.”

Conversely, the worst part of her deployment was being away from those who she was close to, especially her fiancé — who is an infantryman and was also in Iraq at that same time.

“My main goal, while I was in Iraq was just to come home to everyone, safe. I missed my family, friends and fiancé, very much,” admitted Youngbar. “It was nice, though, because I got to see my fiancé every once in a while in Iraq.”

Youngbar returned to Camp Pendleton on March 29.

“I was just glad to be reunited with my family and friends,” said Youngbar. “I’m glad to be home, but it was a good experience and I have a lot of memories and stories to tell people.”

Navy pilot, former Marine on patrol

Sgt. Joseph A. Lee
Sports Editor

The 21st century battlefield involves more cohesion between services, perhaps, than any previous era in United States military history. Marines and Army forces on the ground rely on information collected from Navy and Air Force pilots in the sky, while naval air units protect naval assets at sea and vice versa, and the airborne services may even rely heavily on information collected from the ground.

Here at Marine Corps Base Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, Navy P-3C Orion pilots from the various patrol squadrons protect assets on land and at sea while providing aerial reconnaissance for ground units in combat. For one pilot with Patrol Squadron 47, who came into the service as an open-contract Marine, the protection of forces on the ground is not just a job, it’s an obligation to protect his family — both military and ménage.

“Family is everything to me,” said Navy Lt. John Gregory. “For me, being a leader and a warrior comes first, but the protection of my family is a close second.”

Once a Marine Corps food service specialist, Navy Lt. John Gregory is now the patrol plane commander of a P-3C Orion for VP-47. Gregory claims that he will never forget what he learned as a Marine, and with that came an appreciation for the Navy/Marine Corps family and what it can offer.

Born in Richland, Wash., Gregory enlisted in the Marine Corps in 1988, and was first stationed in Yuma, Ariz.

“I knew as soon as I came in that I wanted to do more,” said Gregory, “but in the Marine Corps, I had to wait at least a year before I could leave my MOS (military occupational specialty).”

According to Gregory, he always did his best at every task, and even won the title of Chef of the Quarter before being accepted to Marine Security Guard duty. After graduating, Gregory was first stationed in Rome, where he met his wife Deborah.

“See, I was the nice guy at Post 1 in the Rome Embassy, back in 1991. I worked with an Italian security guard who was much tougher on visitors,” said Gregory. “The two of us combined made a great team. One day he was giving this woman a hard time at the metal detector, and it just so happened that my kind interference during the situation won me the love of my life.”

After his tour in Rome, Gregory began gathering his package to submit for the Meritorious Enlisted Commissioning Program, with his sights



Sgt. Joseph A. Lee

Navy Lt. John Gregory, patrol plane commander with Patrol Squadron 47, stands proudly for a photograph Wednesday.

set on being a pilot. He did a tour as a security guard in Honduras, then Panama, and finally received his orders to the MECEP program when he was stationed in Mexico City.

“I applied to both Washington State and the University of Idaho, but when both applications were accepted on the same date, I had to decide,” said Gregory. “Idaho offered free, in-state fishing and hunting licenses, so that ended up being a fairly easy decision.”

After graduating from college, Staff Sgt. Gregory was commissioned as a second lieutenant and then attended The Basic School for six months.

“I think TBS is quite possibly the best military leadership training the United States has to offer,” said Gregory. “The things I learned there about leading Marines, I will never forget.”

After attending flight school in Corpus Christi, Texas, Gregory made an interservice transfer to the United States Navy, where he began training as a fixed-wing pilot. From training, Gregory

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Partnership benefits schools, military

Program creates win-win situation for everyone

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A wide variety of activities for the 2005-2006 school year are underway at Hawaii public schools partnered with military units participating in Department of Defense “Adopt-A-School” programs.

The Marine Corps Base Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, school partnership program currently includes 18 partnered schools and six schools that need military partners, according to Marine Corps Reservist Capt. Amy Bevan, the MCB Hawaii School Liaison Officer.

According to the MCB Hawaii base order, the purpose of the MCB Hawaii school partnership program is “to establish partnership relationships with local Hawaii public schools in order to enhance the educational experience for our children and to reaffirm MCB Hawaii’s positive relationship with its neighboring communities.”

The order reads that the intent is to establish and maintain viable, long-term partnerships between Marine Corps units and local Hawaii public schools and to be proactive in helping to establish and participate in community-wide networks of volunteers for Hawaii’s public schools.

“Broad support for the Adopt-A-School programs within each of the military services here in Hawaii comes from the Joint Venture Education Forum,” explained Sarah



Photo Courtesy of Petty Officer 1st Class Quentin Salinas

As part of the Adopt-A-School program project, volunteers from Commander, Patrol and Reconnaissance Wing 2, led by Petty Officer 1st Class Quentin Salinas, recently freshened up the railings and poles of the covered walkway of Kaneohe Elementary School with a coat of paint.

Fry, MCB Hawaii JVEF representative and charter JVEF member.

“Part of that support is monetary, as the JVEF coordinates the expenditure of approximately \$5.5 million in federal funding for Hawaii’s schools.”

Per the JVEF’s 2005 Annual Report, school partnerships are one of several categories funded over the past five years. In fiscal year 2005, the JVEF allocated a total of \$750,000 for partnership support at 150 Hawaii public schools partnered with the four major services, the U.S. Coast Guard, the Hawaii National Guard and USPACOM Headquarters.

Volunteers from the schools, partnered with military units and the community and worked together to provide the labor needed to complete school projects. A total of 52,990 hours were recorded this past year for the 4,300 military volunteers.

At MCB Hawaii, federal funding received for fiscal year 2005 totaled \$120,000 to support projects at 24 schools — 20 partnered with Marine Corps units located at MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay or at Camp H.M. Smith, and four partnered with Navy units located at MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay.

“Many of the schools participating in Hawaii’s military Adopt-A-School programs have a significant percentage of military dependents,” explained Bevan, “but that is not the only criteria for participation. We have a waiting list of schools that would love to be partnered, but we do not have enough units to partner with each one. The current world situation also means that many of our units frequently deploy and cannot be as active with their partnered schools throughout the school year.”

Master Sgt. Milton D. White, Headquarters Battalion equal oppor-

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tunity officer and an Adopt-A-School representative since 2003, was one of more than 50 Marine Corps and other service volunteers honored at the JVEF’s 4th Annual Meeting Tuesday. “Our battalion’s experience at Puohala Elementary in Kaneohe has really meant a lot to our Marines,” he said, “but if our Marines have a child or dependent who goes to a different school, they can also volunteer to help out at their child’s school.”

Bevan confirmed that over the past few years, participating military units have received federal funding of approximately \$5,000 per school, which was used to purchase supplies and materials for self-help projects and upgrades.

Through the program, she explained, MCB Hawaii-based units partner with the schools to provide a variety of volunteer activities.

“The school, military and community volunteers do not get paid for their work, but they all feel that the partnerships are a win-win situation for all concerned.

“The number of people who participate from each unit varies quite a

bit,” said Bevan. “Participation depends a lot upon the unit’s deployment cycle and training schedule. The commanding officer from each participating unit discusses partnership opportunities with the school principal or representative at the beginning of the year to determine how many volunteers will be needed and when. They then work together to develop a schedule for the volunteers.”

The schools request volunteers for various tasks, Bevan explained. “Some need volunteers to help with physical education classes, while others want Marines to come into the classroom to read to students.

“Anyone who works for a military installation on island is able to volunteer for the program,” said Bevan. “You don’t have to be in the military to help out. Dependents can also volunteer.

“Ideally, each participating unit will establish a close working relationship with its partnered school,” said the Mentor, Ohio native. “Partnership activities always end up with a pretty good turnout and are a lot of fun.”

Disaster preparedness

Prepare your child for the unexpected

Leave children with resources, familiar face if parents cannot be there

Kelli Kirwan
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In these days of increased operation tempo and multiple deployments, chances are your active-duty Sailor or Marine is off training, pulling duty, or deployed, leaving you as the on-duty parent. Have you thought about what would happen to your children if you had an emergency? What if you break your leg falling off a ladder, are involved in a serious car accident, have an unexpected medical condition, such as a heart attack, or an expected medical condition, such as the birth of a new baby?

Even super moms and dads are subject to illness, accident or even death. If you fall ill or become unable to communicate or take care of your children, who will? Both new parents and those who have more experience under their belts often overlook the need to prepare for emergencies.

Military families have a difficult challenge preparing for emergencies. Our civilian friends too, should have an emergency childcare plan. However, they are much more likely to live near family members and stay in one area where they can build up a long-term network of friends. How many of us live at least 500 miles or more from our families? Combine that with frequent moves for your family and your close friends, and you find you constantly have to work to maintain a support network.

Taking time to think about who would be able and willing to help you can alleviate turmoil and trauma for your family. But if you do not make plans or preparations ahead of time, then you leave that decision in someone else's hands.

Crisis time

When the unexpected does happen, you may have enough time and resources to find temporary care for your children. In some areas, such as San Diego, and Norfolk, Va., child crisis centers are available to assist children seven days a week, 24 hours a day. This might be an option if you are temporarily unable to care for your children, but it's not the best one. Even if the crisis center is safe and inviting and the staff is friendly and capa-

GREGORY, From B-3

came straight to MCB Hawaii where he is doing his first fleet tour as a P-3C pilot. Gregory moved his wife and two daughters, now 3-year-old Josephine and 4-year-old Elisabeth, to Kaneohe Bay in 2003 for duty.

"The cohesion here between the Navy and the Marine Corps is really second to none," said Gregory, "and we in the Navy really enjoy the relationship we have with the Marines of K-Bay. The idea of a Navy/Marine Corps family is truly prevalent here."

Now a father of three after his son, Duncan, was born three weeks ago, Gregory may soon deploy for the second time, and is focused on providing the best aerial service he can for his counterparts on the ground.

"I also have a cousin in the Army National Guard who does convoy security, and all I can think of while I'm airborne is how much his life may depend on my accurate reconnaissance," said Gregory. "He's the one with the tougher job, but I have to make sure I do mine so he can live to do his. It's that cooperation between our forces that makes me proud to serve the Navy doing the job that I do. We're a family, and family is one of my highest priorities."

ble, your children would be with strangers in unfamiliar surroundings at a time of stress in the family.

If you are hospitalized and unable to make arrangements yourself, it is possible that Child Protective Services will step in and place your children in temporary foster care until other arrangements can be made. This is, of course, the absolute last alternative that anyone wants to see happen.

An unexpected emergency doesn't have to throw your family into turmoil. With just a little thought and effort, you can develop a plan for your children's well-being, safety and comfort in the event of an emergency.

- 1

Make a plan

Talk with your spouse about who would be able and willing to take care of your children at a moment's notice. You might want to identify someone who could take them for one or two days and someone who could take them for an indefinite period. Then, talk with the people you've chosen and make sure they agree to help out.
- Write down the names, addresses and telephone numbers of these people along with other important information about them, such as work schedules, relationship to your family, or any known limitations.

Type out a letter of consent naming your



emergency guardians, with contact information, and have it notarized. Most Marine Corps or Navy legal offices on base have a notary public available to you.

It would also be helpful to have a family information sheet available. Provide information such as: doctors, schools your children attend, their schedules, times they are released, after-school care arrangements, medications and special needs your children might have, as well as relatives who might need to know where your children are.

Make copies of your plan and give it to your emergency caregivers, close friends, family, employer, and possibly your spouse's command — some commands do keep this information on hand. Leave a copy at home in an easy-to-find place and don't forget to update the plan regularly.

2

Leave instructions at your children's schools and day care

Always give complete and current emergency information at your children's schools and day cares on who can pick up your children. Listing your neighbor as an emergency contact in your child's records is great for an unexpected short-term emergency, but not for long-term care. Give the name and contact information for a family member or friend who would be a long-term caregiver for your child.

- 3

Know your neighbors

Build a network of friends and support upon arriving at a new duty station. You will be able to quickly assess whom you can turn to for assistance. One of the most important steps is to be active! By becoming involved in organizations and activities, you start making ties to others in your area. There are people out there who would be more than willing to help you in a time of crisis simply because they want to, not because you have no one else to turn to.
- Activities for your children, your family and you are abundant. The opportunity to expand your personal support system is waiting for you to take the first step. Youth sports, Girl Scouts, and Boy Scouts, churches or religious organizations, spouse groups or play groups are good places to make family friends. If there is no playgroup near you, perhaps you can begin one in your neighborhood. Being proactive is the key.
- 4

Use your resources

Be familiar with your unit's Key Volunteer. Knowing what assistance is available through your command will help you determine where to go for help and information. It is also important that the command knows you. Often times, help and resources are closer than you realize, but they go unused because the command is unaware of your family's needs.
- Using resources that are already available to you can help you and your spouse make more informed decisions. The Marine Corps Community Services is a good place to start.
- We can't expect to rely or impose on others because we didn't take time to plan or prepare for the unexpected. We can, however, sleep easier at night knowing we have done all that we can to make sure that our children are not left without resources or familiar faces in the event we cannot be there for them. We owe it to ourselves and to our children.

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Word To Pass

Aloha Festivals Holds Hoolaulea

Head to downtown Honolulu and take part in one of the state's largest block parties today, from 6:30 to 10 p.m., to celebrate the unique multi-cultural heritage of Hawaii. Stages will be filled with Hawaii's top entertainers, craft and food booths and lei stands will line the street. Join the thousands of visitors and locals as they gather to enjoy music and hula late into the night.

Look for additional activities and events nearby and at the Aloha Tower Marketplace.

The Aloha Festivals is a two-month-long celebration that began as Aloha Week in 1946. The initial celebrations included hula performances, a parade, pageants and services at Kawaiahao Church in downtown Honolulu. Other events slated for the Aloha Festivals include a falsetto contest, the Made in Hawaii trade show, hula performances and more.

For more details, call 589-1771 or visit www.alohafestivals.com.

Volunteers Sought for Movie Event in Waikiki

Approximately 20 to 30 volunteers are needed to conduct surveys for ABC and to help security staff and the Honolulu Police Department with crowd flow and crowd control during a special Sunset on the Beach event, Wednesday, at Queen's Surf Beach in Waikiki.

The event will feature a special the world premiere of ABC's hit series "LOST" Season Two, as well as their new highly anticipated series "INVASION."

Volunteers will report to Mona Wood onsite at 4 p.m. by the stage for a briefing and to pass out badges and shirts. Once the "Lost" cast departs at 8 p.m., volunteers will be free to leave, though they are welcome to stay and watch the premiere of "Invasion" following. An attire of shorts or pants of any color and a khaki T-shirt, should be worn. Plan to arrive early as parking is limited.

Those wanting to volunteer should RSVP Mona Wood at ikaikacomm@hawaii.rr.com.

Bishop Museum Features Fishing Traditions

Bishop Museum's Traditions of the Pacific continues Thursday from 6 to 8 p.m., with Richard Pyle and Poni Kamauu. Join Bishop Museum scientist, Dr. Richard Pyle, as he shares fascinating stories of new biodiversity on deep-coral reefs. His explorations have taken him to some of the world's best deep-coral reefs in Palau, Papua New Guinea, American Samoa, and Rarotonga. In 2003, Pyle served as a scientific advisor to the IMAX documentary, Coral Reef Adventure.

Educator Poni Kamauu will share a "Moon Chant" that describes how phases of the moon determine if and what kind of fish are abundant in each new phase. Kamauu will also present exciting fishing stories passed down for generations. Special items from Bishop Museum's collections will be on display throughout the evening.

Traditions of the Pacific is a quarterly program that highlights the cultural heritage of Hawaii, Asia and the Pacific through stories, lectures, demonstrations and workshops.

General admission is \$5; Bishop Museum members are free. For reservations or more information, call 847-8296 or visit their Web site at www.bishopmuseum.org.

Aloha Festivals Holds Floral Parade

Spend the day outdoors taking pictures, sitting curbside and enjoying the colorful floats and many costumed horse-riding units of the Aloha Festivals Floral Parade Sept. 17 from 9 a.m.

The parade will begin at Ala Moana Park and make its way to Kapiolani Park in Waikiki.

Be there early as the streets are sure to fill up with spectators for this annual celebration of Hawaiian culture and heritage.

For more details, call 589-1771 or visit www.alohafestivals.com.

MCB Hawaii Motorcycle Association Meeting

To all motorcyclists. The next meeting, themed "Suspension Set-Up," will be

held on Sept. 23 at Kahuna's Ballroom. Events start at 11 a.m.

Brian Fowler from Superbikes Hawaii will be explaining and dialing in with the aid of a couple of bikes pulled from the audience, proper suspension set up for your bike. This is a must for any serious motorcycle rider.

For those who want to purchase lunch at the club, an abbreviated menu will be available during the meeting.

Remember, half the fun of motorcycling is enjoying it with other people who share the same interest, and it's even better when you truly understand the bike you ride.

For more information, contact Mario Diprete 257-1830.

Live Theater Shows Line Fall Calendar

If you enjoy live theater and concerts, be sure to mark these shows down in your calendar.

The Adventures of Gary & Harry: A Tale of Two Turtles: This new musical adaptation of the children's book by Lisa Matsumoto and Michael Furuya features an all-star local cast. It plays today through Sunday at the Hawaii Theatre. Tickets are from \$10 to \$25. For tickets or more details, call 528-0506 or visit www.hawaiiitheatre.com.

Depth and Passion: The Honolulu Symphony will feature world-renowned classical guitarist Christopher Parkening. Playing one of the most recognizable guitar concertos, Rodrigo's Concierto de Aranjuez, Parkening will endow



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the audience with an unforgettable performance of the hauntingly beautiful piece. Christopher Parkening is celebrated as one of the world's pre-eminent virtuosos of the classical guitar. For more than a quarter century, his concerts and recordings have received the highest worldwide acclaim. Parkening is recognized as heir to the legacy of the great Spanish guitarist Andrés Segovia who proclaimed that "Christopher

Parkening is a great artist. He is one of the most brilliant guitarists in the world." Tickets for performances tonight and Sunday range in price between \$24 and \$67 and may be purchased online at www.honolulu-symphony.com or at www.ticketmaster.com. For more information, call 792-2000 or visit www.honolulu-symphony.com.

Guys and Dolls: Damon Runyon's mythical New York comes to life in this enchanting musical comedy that takes us from the heart of Times Square to Havana and back. This classic Broadway show will run tonight, Saturday, Friday, Sept. 17, 23, 24 at 7:30 p.m. at the Army Community Theatre. Tickets are from \$12 to \$20 and can be purchased at the Richardson Theatre Box Office by calling 438-4480 or at the Web site: www.squareone.org/ACT.

An Almost Holy Picture: This drama is a one-man show about Samuel Gengle, the groundskeeper for The Church of the Holy Comforter, who struggles to regain his own faith. Part of the Readers Theatre series, catch this play on Sunday, Sept. 18 and 25 at 2 p.m. at the Richardson Theatre, Fort Shafter. Tickets are \$6 at the door. For more information, call the Army Community Theatre Box

Office at 438-4480 or log on to www.squareone.org/ACT.

Aimee Mann: Founding member of the '80s rock band 'Til Tuesday, Mann is currently touring to promote her fifth solo album, "The Forgotten Arm." Mann's one-night engagement is scheduled for Sept. 28 at the Hawaii Theatre. For ticket information, call the Hawaii Theatre Box office at 528-0506 or visit www.hawaiiitheatre.com.

Honolulu Symphony Pops: Monica Mancini, daughter of famed composer, Henry Mancini, will grace the stage at the Blaisdell Concert Hall Sept. 30 and Oct. 1, both at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$30, \$40, \$50, \$60 and \$72 each. For more information or to order tickets, call 792-2000 or Ticketmaster at (877) 750-4400 or visit www.honolulusymphony.com or www.ticketmaster.com.

Hana Hou Hawaiian Music Concert: Presented by the historic Hawaii Theatre, this concert opens the 2005-2006 season and stars the delightful, funny and talented Karen Keawehawaii, a headliner on the annual Christmas show with Jim Nabors. The concert is set for Sept. 30 at 8 p.m. at the Hawaii Theatre. Tickets are \$30 and can be purchased by calling 528-0506

ON THE MENU AT ANDERSON HALL

Today

Lunch
Seafood Platter
Fried Fish Nuggets
Fried Shimp
Fried Scallops
Breaded Oysters
Lasagna
Baked Ravioli
Macaroni and Cheese
Simmered Asparagus
Italian Mixed Vegetables
Chewy Nut Bar
Yellow Layered Cake
w/Butter Cream Frosting
Fruit Pies

Dinner
Roast Pork Loin
Barbecued Chicken
Mashed Potatoes
Wild Rice
Corn on the Cob
Dinner Rolls
Chewy Nut Bar
Yellow Layered Cake
w/Butter Cream Frosting
Fruit Pies

Saturday

Brunch/Dinner
Herbed Rock Cornish Hens
Grilled Strip Loin Steak
Rice Pilaf
Mashed Potatoes
Herbed Green Beans
Simmered Carrots
Broccoli
Apple Sauce Cake

Sunday

Brunch/Dinner
Yankee Pot Roast
Baked Ham
Mashed Potatoes
Candied Sweet Potatoes
Simmered Mixed Vegetables
Simmered Pinto Beans
Chocolate Layered Cake
w/Chocolate Cream Frosting
Fruit Pies

Monday

Lunch
Baked Meatloaf
Creole Pork Chops
Mashed Potatoes
Noodles Jefferson

Boston Baked Beans
Simmered Peas and Carrots
Apple Crisp
Chocolate Chip Cookies
Fruit Pies

Dinner

Baked Turkey and Noodles
Baked Fresh Fish
Steamed Rice
Simmered Corn
Simmered Brussels Sprouts
Apple Crisp
Chocolate Chip Cookies
Fruit Pies

Tuesday

Lunch
Beef Sukiyaki
Pork Chop Suey
Egg Foo Young
Chinese Fried Egg Roll
Steamed Rice

Simmered Broccoli
Chicken Fried Rice
Vegetable Stir Fry
Chocolate Pudding
Fruit Pies

Dinner

Creole Macaroni
Honey Ginger
Chicken Breasts
Mashed Potatoes
Noodles Jefferson
Cauliflower Au Gratin
Chocolate Pudding
Fruit Pies
Chow Mein Noodles

Wednesday

Lunch
Barbecue Spareribs
Country Style Steak
Red Beans and Rice
Mashed Potatoes
Simmered Corn on the Cob
Southern Style Collard Greens
Oatmeal Cookies
Fruit Pies

Dinner

Baked Chicken

Beef Pot Pie
Boiled Egg Noodles
Mashed Potatoes
Simmered Peas and Mushrooms
Southern Style Squash
Brownies
Fruit Pies

Thursday

Lunch
Baked Lasagna
Veal Parmesan
Mashed Potatoes
Simmered Carrots
Italian Mixed Vegetables
Garlic Toast
Brownies
Fruit Pies

Dinner

Chicken Vega
Simmered Corned Beef
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One-man kayak, Ocean kayak in excellent condition. Asking \$350. Call 262-8789.

Remodeling sale, 16” x 26” medicine cabinet, \$25; bathroom sink/counter with faucet, \$50; two 18” fluorescent light fixtures, \$25; 72” double basin stainless steel kitchen or fish cleaning sink with sides, \$150; 12-cup coffee maker and ironing board, \$8 each. Call 262-8789.

Sony PlayStation 1 system, with controllers, joystick, memory card and nine games. Asking \$100. Call 262-8789.

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